oils through PDS, etc. The State Governments have also been asked to undertake strick action against hoarders, black-marketeers in edible oilseeds and oils.

Allotment of Land for School, Dispensary etc. in Vasant Vihar

1221. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Directorate of Education of Delhi Administration, Mother Dairy and CGHS authorities had requested the Land and Development Officer, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi, in August, 1987, July, 1988 and November, 1989 to allot land for a school, a milk booth and a dispensary in Vasant Vihar, New Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that DTC authorities had also requested the DDA in March, 1988 for allotment of land for a bus terminal in Vasant Vihar, New Delhi;

(c) whether the land has since been allotted in all the above cases;

(d) if so, when and if not, the reasons for the delay and by when the land is likely to be allotted in the above cases;

(e) whether it is a fact that the CPWD authorities had sent a plan to DDA in 1988 for setting up of a Shopping Centre in Vasant Vihar, and

(f) if so, what action has so far been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN): (a) Yes, Sir. The request for allotment of land measuring 2 Hectares was received from the Delhi Administration in 1988 and for CGHS Dispensary in 1989 and for a Milk Booth in 1988.

(b) No, Sir. However, request from the DTC to allot a Bus Terminal site in Vasant Vihar was received in the DDA vide their letter dated 20/23-3-1989.

(c) and (d) The land for middle school to Delhi Administration has been allotted but a part of the land is unauthorisedly occupied by Chinmaya Mission and necessary action for removal is in process. The allotment of land to Mother Dairy is under issue. No decision has yet been taken in regard to allotment of land to CGHS.

As far as allotment of land for Bus Terminal at Vasant Vihar is concerned, no allotment of land has so far been made. There is already one DTC Terminal functioning within the Vasant Lok Community Centre. As such it was not considered advisable by the DDA to allot another site.

(e) and (f) No plans for setting up of a Shopping Centre in Vasant Vihar were submitted to the DDA in 1988 by the CPWD Authorities.

राज्यों में गड़बड़ी के कारण पर्यटन को क्षति

1222. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल :** क्या **पर्यटन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कुछ राज्यों में गड़बड़ियों के कारण पर्यटन को भारी नुकसान हुआ है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो प्रत्येक राज्य में अब तक कितने धनराशि की क्षति हुई है ; और

(ग) पर्यटन क्षेत्र को सुरक्षा प्रदान करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या कदम उठाए गए हैं और इस संबंध में भविष्य की योजनायें क्या-क्या हैं ?

पर्यटन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती उषा सिंह) : (क) और (ख) खाड़ी संकट देश के कुछ भागों में गड़बड़ी, विदेशी बाजारों

में भारत की कुछ घटनाओं के विपरीत प्रचार सहित विभिन्न कारणों से 1990 के दौरान विदेशी पर्यटक आगमनों में कमी आई है। पर्यटक यातायात में कमी के कारण देश में पर्यटन उद्योग प्रभावित हुआ है। तथापि, उद्योग अथवा राज्य को हुई हानि का परिमाणीकरण संभव नहीं है।

(ग) पर्यटक भेजने वाले देशों में से भावी पर्यटकों और यात्रा व्यवसाय को पुनर्आश्वस्त करने के लिए कूटनैतिक चैनलों और सीधे प्रचार के माध्यम से प्रयास किए जा रहे हैं।

Light Rail Transit System to Andhra Pradesh

1223. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any proposals under Government's consideration to introduce the Light Rail Transit System in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether any feasibility studies have been made in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN): (a) and (b) The Government of Andhra Pradesh engaged M/s Rail India Technical and Economic Services (RITES) in March, 1988 to conduct a Techno-economic Feasibility Study for the introduction of Mass Rapid Transit System. M/s. RITES have suggested the introduction of a Light Rail Transit System covering a total distance of 22.5 kms. costing approximately Rs. 306 crores at 1988 prices. The Government of Andhra Pradesh had forwarded this project for the consideration of the Government of India. The matter now stands referred back to the State Government seeking clarification on many aspects including the economic viability of the project and the funding pattern proposed. The report of the State Government on these aspects has not been received so far.

News-item under Caption 'Railways may not get ADB Loan'

1224. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item entitled 'Railways may not get ADB loan', mentioning that the Indian Railways' inability to utilise $ 190 million Asian Development Bank Loan for procurement of locomotives has jeopardised the prospects of fresh US$ 300 million loan package;

(b) whether it is a fact that the import of 30 locomotives (4000 HP) linked to transfer of technology for indigenous manufacture was thwarted because an expert committee appointed by the Planning Commission to examine the 'Feasibility of imports' could not submit the report before the expiry of validity of the offers;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the revised offers received are substantially higher and lot of delay has occurred in opening up negotiations to persuade bidders to agree to the former terms;

(d) whether ADB loan earmarked for imports might become inoperable due to the delay; and

(e) what steps Government would take to avoid such delays on account of infructuous studies of external agencies not involved in decision making?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS): (a) The Government is aware of the Press report titleld "Railways may not get ABD Loan", in the "Financial Observer' dated 13th February, 1991.

(b) No. Sir. While the commercial bids for procurement of 6000 HP AC three phase freight and passenger locomotives were in the final stages of consideration, Planning Commission constituted an Expert Committee to go into this issue. The Committee